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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph in the CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS with the following paragraph:

This application is related to copending, commonly-assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/077,660, titled CARDIAC STIMULATION DEVICE INCLUDING SLEEP APNEA PREVENTION AND TREATMENT; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/077,048, titled STIMULATION DEVICE FOR SLEEP APNEA PREVENTION, DETECTION AND TREATMENT; both applications ~~filed concurrently herewith~~ filed 02/14/2002.

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 16, line 19 with the following paragraph:

The lead 424 may be used to supply stimulation pulses to a patient's left ventricle in biventricular pacing systems. Patients with chronic atrial fibrillation may be treated using biventricular VVIR pacemakers with left ventricular ~~[[424and]]~~ 424 and right ventricular 430 leads connected to the stimulation device 410. In ~~patient's~~ patients with spontaneous sinus rhythm, biventricular DDDR stimulating devices may be implanted with an atrial lead 420 placed in the upper right atrium and two ventricular leads 424 and 430 connected to the left and right ventricles, respectively.